

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2010-385-C - ORDER NO. 2010-827
DECEMBER 15, 2010

IN RE: Application of Allied Wireless)	ORDER APPOINTING
Communications Corporation d/b/a Alltel for)	HEARING OFFICER
Designation as an Eligible)	
Telecommunications Carrier)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the request filed by counsel for Allied Wireless Communications Corporation d/b/a Alltel (“Alltel”) for the appointment of a hearing officer to administer procedural issues and motions in Docket No. 2010-385-C regarding Alltel’s Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier. We hereby grant Alltel’s request. This appointment is in order that the hearing officer may dispose of procedural and evidentiary matters pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-3-40 (Supp. 2009).

Section 58-3-40(C)(1) states that upon the request of any party or any commissioner, the commission may employ a hearing officer who may hear and determine procedural motions or other matters not determinative of the merits of the proceedings. Under (C)(2), the hearing officer has full authority, subject to being overruled by the Commission, to rule on questions concerning the conduct of the case and other matters. Under (C)(3), the officer must be an attorney qualified to practice in all courts of this State with a minimum of eight years’ practice experience.

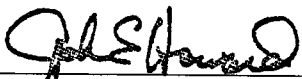
We find that F. David Butler, Esquire, meets these qualifications, and we hereby appoint Mr. Butler as hearing officer in Docket No. 2010-385-C. As hearing officer in this proceeding, we direct Mr. Butler to rule on appropriate matters in the case and dispose of procedural and evidentiary matters for this proceeding.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. F. David Butler, Esquire, is hereby appointed as hearing officer in Docket No. 2010-385-C for disposition of procedural and evidentiary matters in this proceeding regarding the Application of Allied Wireless Communications Corporation d/b/a Alltel for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier.


2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



John E. Howard, Chairman

ATTEST:



David A. Wright, Vice Chairman
(SEAL)